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In response to the Office Action dated July 14, 2008, Applicants provide the following response.

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STATEMENT OF COMMON OWNERSHIP

Application Serial No. 10/018,954 and U.S. Patent No. 6,714,216 to <u>Abe</u> were, at the time of the invention of Application Serial No. 10/018,954 was made, owned by Sony Corporation.